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**LOCAL MAN PLEADS GUILTY TO CHILD PORNOGRAPHY CHARGES**

**United States Attorney Johnny Sutton** announced today that Mark Russell White pleaded guilty yesterday to transportation of child pornography. He remains free on bond pending sentencing which has been set for September 26, 2008.

By pleading guilty, the defendant admitted that he purchased access to a child pornography website. He also admitted paying to subscribe to various child pornography websites and saving the images and videos on his computer. A forensic examination of his computer revealed that he possessed over 500 video files depicting child pornography and over 23,000 images containing child pornography.

The images and videos found in the defendant's possession were images of real minor children engaging in sexually explicit conduct. White obtained the child pornography from the Internet through the use of child pornography websites, newsgroups and email and file-sharing software.

This case was investigated by Immigration and Customs Enforcement and is being prosecuted for the government by Assistant United States Attorney Tracy Braun.

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